MINUTES OF MAY 15, 2019 6:00 PM
BERKSHIRE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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In order to permit the fair and orderly expression of such comment, the Board shall provide a period for public participation at every public meeting of the Board and publish rules to govern such participation. These rules are available at each Board meeting. Anyone desiring to speak is asked to make this request in advance. Participants must be recognized by the presiding officer. Comments shall be directed to the presiding officer, not to Board members individually. Board Bylaw 0169.1

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Roll Call: Mr. Boyd, Mr. Manfredi, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Raikes, Mr. Wadsworth-present

Motion to approve the current agenda.

First: Mr. Manfredi, Seconded: Mr. Wadsworth

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Boyd-aye, Mr. Manfredi-aye, Mrs. Miller-aye, Mrs. Raikes-aye, Mr. Wadsworth-aye

All Ayes

Motion Carried.

Motion to approve the minutes from April 15, 2019 regular meeting.

First: Mrs. Miller, Seconded: Mr. Wadsworth

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Manfredi-aye, Mrs. Miller-aye, Mrs. Raikes-aye, Mr. Wadsworth-aye, Mr. Boyd-aye

All Ayes

Motion Carried.

Presentation:

Lemonade Stand- Mrs. McBurnie gave a brief narrative of the lemonade stand PBL as Ledgemont Elementary was closed due to power outage.

Treasurer’s Report

Expenditures and Interest Earned:
Let the records reflect that – The Treasurer has submitted a statement to the board and to the Superintendent showing the revenues and receipts from whatever sources derived, the various appropriations made by the board, the expenditures and disbursements therefrom, the purposes thereof, and the balances remaining in each fund. The financial statements for the period ending
April, 2019 submitted subject to audit and include: Financial Summary, Appropriations and Revenue Summary, Check Register Recap, and Bank Reconciliation per ORC 3313.29.

Donations

Motion made to approve the following donations:

- Bryan Wadsworth  
  Board Scholarship Fund  
  $ 200.00

- John Manfredi  
  Board Scholarship Fund  
  $ 200.00

First: Mrs. Miller, Seconded: Mr. Boyd

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mrs. Miller-aye, Mrs. Raikes-aye, Mr. Wadsworth-aye, Mr. Boyd-aye, Mr. Manfredi-aye  
All Ayes  
Motion Carried.

Appropriations

Motion made to approve the following appropriations:

- Uniform Supply Account  
  Fund 009  
  + 35,000.00

- OESAA  
  Fund 022  
  + 1,500.00

First: Mr. Manfredi, Seconded: Mr. Wadsworth

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mrs. Raikes-aye, Mr. Wadsworth-aye, Mr. Boyd-aye, Mr. Manfredi-aye, Mrs. Miller-aye  
All Ayes  
Motion Carried.

Five Year Forecast

Motion to approve the five year forecast as submitted which is due to the Ohio Department of Education May 31, 2019.

First: Mr. Wadsworth, Seconded: Mrs. Miller

Discussion: Mr. Boyd congratulated Mrs. McCaffrey on receiving the Paul Harris Fellow award.

Roll Call: Mr. Wadsworth-aye, Mr. Boyd-aye, Mr. Manfredi-aye, Mrs. Miller-aye, Mrs. Raikes-aye  
All Ayes  
Motion Carried.
Vocational Report

Roger Miller reported Auburn Career Center has a record high enrollment for next year and they also have a record number of students competing at national levels. Roger also reported that the employer day was a great success. Mr. Stoddard added Berkshire has a record high number of students that will be attending Auburn next year.

Committee Reports

Mr. Stoddard reported that the Education Foundation Committee is now focusing on the location and funding for the athletic facility. John Bonner has offered to donate land behind Kent so the athletic facility and new school can be on the same side of the street. The land is currently being surveyed. Money for the football, soccer, and track fields have been donated already but we still need to get donations for the baseball/softball fields and field house. This committee meets every other Wednesday at 7:00 am at the board office.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Certified:

Motion to approve the following:

- Jill Jaskiewicz Teacher - Resignation; Effective June 7, 2019
- Brittany Bakalar 10 Extended Days - Guidance
- Jessica D'Ambrosia 15 Extended Days - Band
- Meghan Hull 8 Extended Days - Technology Integration
- Michelle Fafuf 10 Extended Days - Guidance
- Kathy Pinkava 8 Extended Days - Nurse
- Hannah Bomba Contract $57,245
- Marla Bencivenni Limited Contract $49,467
- Jamie Bower Limited Contract $51,200
- Lauren Casey Limited Contract $44,602
- Jessica D'Ambrosia Limited Contract $40,252
- Joshua DeWeese Limited Contract $47,624
- Nicholas Fejedelem Limited Contract $41,505
- Jeff Ferguson Limited Contract $75,480
- Suzanne Fletcher Limited Contract $75,480
- Shaun Forbess Limited Contract Half-Time/based on hours
- Eric Grzymek Limited Contract $66,455
- Heather Gel Limited Contract $51,311
- Megan Guthrie Limited Contract $58,633
- Richard Guthrie Limited Contract $64,212
First: Mr. Manfredi, Seconded: Mr. Boyd

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Boyd-aye, Mr. Manfredi-aye, Mrs. Miller-aye, Mrs. Raikes-aye, Mr. Wadsworth-aye
All Ayes
Motion Carried.
Classified:

Motion to approve the following:

- Patti Clemson: Custodian - Retirement; Effective July 1, 2019
- Judy Lester: Educational Aide - Resignation; Effective July 1, 2019
- Christina Auth: Continuing Contract - Playground Aide: $4,317.30
- Kevin Cataldo: Continuing Contract - Custodian: $32,364.80
- Laura Ross: Continuing Contract - Van Driver: $14.94/hr.
- Gary Wasson: Continuing Contract - Custodian: $32,364.80
- Ryan Zwolinski: Continuing Contract - Crossing Guard: $2,467.03
- Michell Durosko: Two-Year Limited Contract - Playground Aide: $5,269.82
- Carol Miller: Two-Year Limited Contract - Kitchen: $6,362.91
- Bonnie Pennypacker: Two-Year Limited Contract - Secretary: $22,176.00
- Traci Wilsen: One-Year Limited Contract - Bus Driver: $18.70/hr.

First: Mr. Boyd, Seconded: Mr. Wadsworth
Discussion: None
Roll Call: Mr. Manfredi-aye, Mrs. Miller-aye, Mrs. Raikes-aye, Mr. Wadsworth-aye, Mr. Boyd-aye
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Business:

Motion to approve the following:

- To authorize continued membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the 2019-2020 School Year.

First: Mrs. Raikes, Seconded: Mrs. Miller
Discussion: None
Roll Call: Mrs. Miller-aye, Mrs. Raikes-aye, Mr. Wadsworth-aye, Mr. Boyd-aye, Mr. Manfredi-aye
All Ayes
Motion Carried.
Old Business

None

New Business

Mr. Boyd asked about rescheduling a meeting at Ledgemont. It was decided the next meeting (June) would be at Ledgemont.

Board Discussion

June Board Meeting: June 10, 2019
Ledgemont Elementary
16200 Burrow Rd.
Thompson, OH 44086

July 8th
August 12th
September 9th
October 14th
November 18th (Third Monday)
December 9th

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Open Public Participation

Roger Miller stated how exciting it is to see PBL up and running and thanked the staff for being ahead of the curve. Roger also questioned the replacement/renewed levies on the forecast. Mrs. McCaffrey stated the Permanent Improvement Levy will be renewed in November, with the board taking action in June. Mrs. McCaffrey also added that a levy can only collect what it was passed for so as property values increase, the cost is spread out amongst everyone—adding an example of the Berkshire PI levy—it was passed for 2 mills but we are only collecting 1.5 mills.

Kelly Rinehart commented about Ledgemont’s early dismissal due to power outage went very smoothly and she is very proud of the staff for all working together to make sure everyone was safe.

Hannah Bomback thanked the Board for the approval of her continuing contract and stated as a Berkshire Alumni, it is very exciting to be part of the team.

Brian Spangenberg from the Burton Fire Department asked when plans for the new building would be finalized. Mr. Stoddard stated they are finishing the design stages now and will move to the design document stage in which plans are more detailed and outside organizations such as the: fire department,
Burton Village and water resources will be brought in to go over all the details. The goal is to begin moving dirt in August.

**Executive Session**

Motion to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1) for the purpose of matters that are required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes.

First: Mr. Manfredi, Seconded: Mrs. Raikes

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Boyd-aye, Mr. Manfredi-aye, Mrs. Miller-aye, Mrs. Raikes-aye, Mr. Wadsworth-aye

Time Motion Made: 6:30 PM

Time Entered into Executive Session: 6:40 PM

TimeExited from Executive Session: 6:52 PM

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn meeting:

First: Mr. Boyd, Seconded: Mr. Manfredi

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Boyd-aye, Mr. Manfredi-aye, Mrs. Miller-aye, Mrs. Raikes-aye, Mr. Wadsworth-aye

All Ayes

Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:53 PM

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Mr. Jim Boyd  
President

Mrs. Beth McCaffrey  
Recorder of Proceedings